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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

## **INDIANAPOLIS MAN SENTENCED TO MORE THAN 9 YEARS FOR POSSESSION OF FIREARMS**

### **PRESS RELEASE**

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that ANDREW WHITE, 27, of Indianapolis, Indiana, was sentenced to 115 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge John Daniel Tinder following his conviction at trial on March 14, 2003 for the unlawful possession of firearms by a convicted felon. This case, which was jointly investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms and the Indianapolis Police Department, was prosecuted as part of the PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS initiative to reduce gun violence.

WHITE, who has prior felony convictions for dealing in marijuana, intimidation, and carrying a handgun without a license, was arrested at his residence on October 18, 2002, after law enforcement officers found two firearms there. At the time, WHITE was on probation

with Marion County. At the sentencing hearing, the government established that WHITE solicited false testimony and attempted to suborn perjury by fabricating a defense and thereafter orchestrating the testimony of witnesses who testified on his behalf at the trial.

According to Assistant United States Attorney James P. Hanlon, who prosecuted the case for the government, the 115 month sentence imposed by Judge Tinder is within 5 months of the 120 month statutory maximum. Judge Tinder also imposed three years supervised release following WHITE's release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, WHITE must undergo drug testing.

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